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In re Application of :  
Hodson et al. :  
Application No. 09/872,514 :  
Filed: June 1, 2001 :  
Atty Docket No.: 355310-991201 :

This is a decision in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b),  
filed March 3, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

This Petition is hereby granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply  
in a timely manner to the Office communication, mailed June 3, 2004.  
The Office communication set a one (1) month period for reply, and  
provided for extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).


Applicant filed a reply on October 7, 2004; however the reply  
(Amendment) was not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. Efforts to  
Notify Applicant were unsuccessful when a Notice of Non-compliant  
Amendment, mailed October 27, 2004, was returned to this Office by the  
United States Postal Service ("USPS").

No reply having been received, the application became abandoned on  
July 4, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on May 12, 2005.

With the instant petition, Petitioner has satisfied the requirements  
of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b). An Amendment in  
response to the June 3, 2004 Office action is filed with the instant  
petition. Accordingly, the petition is granted.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 3625  
for processing of the Amendment, filed March 3, 2006, in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the  
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